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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE –  
EXAMINING GROUP 1652**

PATENT

Attorney Docket No.: 019633-000810US

Client Ref. No.: NRC00027US

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

MICHEL GILBERT et al.

Application No.: 09/211,691

Filed: December 14, 1998

For: FUSION PROTEINS FOR USE IN  
ENZYMATIC SYNTHESIS OF  
OLIGOSACCHARIDES

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 9572

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 6, 2005, on the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A Notice of Appeal was received by the USPTO on November 9, 2005. The next due date is March 9, 2006. Exhibits A-F, and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) PTO/SB/30 with Deposit Account fee authorization for the RCE and the two-month extension of time are included herein.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.